

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl'n of:

Laurens LEURS et al.

Group:

2182

Appl'n No.:

10/718,146

Examiner:

Unknown

Filed:

November 20, 2003

For:

METHOD FOR OUTPUTTING A DIGITAL PRODUCT DEFINITION

OF A PRINTED PRODUCT TO A LAYOUT APPLICATION

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Mail Stop DD Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

March 5, 2004

Dear Sir or Madam:

I hereby certify that an Information Disclosure Statement, form PTO/SB/08A references and a postcard are being deposited today, March 5, 2004 with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop DD, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450.

Respectfully,

Zynne M. Hawke Patent Specialist

Agfa Corporation Law & Patent Department 200 Ballardvale Street Wilmington, MA. 01887-1069

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl'n of:

XP-1123

Laurens LEURS et al.

Group:

2182

Appl'n No.:

10/718,146

Examiner:

unknown

Filed: For: November 20, 2003

1

METHOD FOR OUTPUTTING A DIGITAL PRODUCT DEFINITION

OF A PRINTED PRODUCT TO A LAYOUT APPLICATION

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Mail Stop DD Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

March 5, 2004

Dear Sir or Madam:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.63, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant lists, provides copies, and provides concise explanations of the following references recently discovered related to the above-identified U.S. Patent Application.

- 1. EP 1 026 876 A2 discloses a system and method for output management.
- 2. "Job Definition Format", XP-002262816 discloses an overview of the specification format developed by Adobe, Agfa, Heidelberg and MAN Roland.
- 3. "CIP Print Production Format", XP-002262817 discloses a cooperative Print Product Format available to the graphics industry worldwide.
- 4. "Segmented Job Ticketing Structure", 459066 discloses structuring and operation of job tickets.

No fee is due since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before a first office action. If the Office deems otherwise, please debit or credit assignee deposit account number 13-3377 under this general authorization.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Sabourin

Attorney Reg. No. 35,344

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

FORMATION DISCLOSURE
ATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Complete if Known				
Application Number	10/718,146			
Filing Date	Nov. 20, 2003			
First Named Inventor	LEURS			
Group Art Unit	2182			
Examiner Name	unknown			
Attacage Dacket Number	VD 1122			

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 2 Attorney Docket Number XP-1123

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Cite No.1	Cite	Document Number	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevan		
	Number - Kind Code ² (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY	Cited Document	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear			
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-	,				
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner	Cite	Foreign Patent Document	D. A. V V	Name of Patentee or	Pages, Columns, Lines,	T
Initials*		Applicant of Cited Document	Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶		
		EP 1 026 876	08-09- 2000	Smith		
				- · -		

Examiner Signature	Date Considered	

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional) . ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04.
³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Substitute	e for form 1449A/PTC				Complete if Known
INITO	DRAKTION	DIC	OL OCUPE	Application Number	10/718,146
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE				Filing Date	Nov. 30, 2003
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT		First Named Inventor	LEURS		
				Group Art Unit	2182
	(use as many she	ets as	s necessary)	Examiner Name	unknown
Sheet	2	of	2	Attorney Docket Number	XP-1123

		OTHER PRIOR ART NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS		
Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.		
		"Job Definition Format (JDF)", March 14, 2000, pages 1-8 retrieved from the internet http://www.cip4.org/documents/jdf_overview/jdf_wp.pdf,		
		"CIP3 Print Production Format (PPF) - workflow doesn't stop at prepress!", internet citation, 1997, XP-002262817, 2 pages http://www.cip4.org/documents/ppf_overview/cip3_brochure_e.pdf		
		"Segmented job ticketing structure" Research Disclosure, Kenneth Mason Publications, Hapmshire, GB, vol 459, no. 66, July 2002, XP007130785, 459066, 3 pages		

Examiner	Date	
Signature	 Considered	

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number (optional). 2 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.